

June 05, 2016 – 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewardship is a way of life.

Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

Tithing Income: May 29, 2016:	
Regular:	\$ 5,616.00
Loose:	\$ 722.15
Children's Offering:	\$ -0-
ONLINE GIVING:	\$ 665.00
Tithing Income TOTAL For May 29, 2016:	<u>\$ 7,003.15</u>
Tithing Income May 30, 2016:	<u>\$ 9,602.00</u>

Tithe for Week of May 29th:
Unbound (CFCA) \$ 700.00

Tithe for Week of June 5th:
PA Pro-Life Federation
American United for Life

Tithe for Week of June 12th:
St. Samuel Center, Harrisburg

Mass Attendance:
Weekend of May 29, 2016 – 415
Weekend of May 31, 2015 – 435

Pastor's Comments:

As your generosity continues to grow through tithing, so does our parish ability to help others less fortunate than ourselves. If you have any ideas or requests of ways we can use our parish tithe, please let us know. God bless you for your faithfulness in offering your weekly tithe!

Something to Ponder:

"It is patience that allows us to find God in all things, and generosity that sets us free to be men and women for others." Matthew Kelly-The Long View

Emperor called for the first ecumenical (general) church council at Nicea to resolve the issue. The response of the assembled bishops: Christ is "consubstantial with the Father," in other words, equal to the Father in nature; never created. This ruling apparently slammed down Arianism, which nevertheless continued in strength for a couple hundred more years.

Now, what is the *new* Arianism? I say that it is attacks on basic marriage and sexual morality. And like the *old* Arianism, priests and people are dropping like flies, giving into the new ways, usually invoking pastoral compassion. One symptom is allowing people who are co-habiting or in invalid marriages to receive Holy Communion, or looking the other way when they do.

My title is a bit of a misnomer. The first Arianism was not about sexual morality, which everyone agreed upon back then (and generally did up until about the 1960s) It was a dispute about Christology, the nature of Christ. But I call this new trend the new Arianism because, like the first one, it is widely popular and accepted, despite being an insidious error – actually a series of errors. It's a many-headed hydra. It involves – *within the Church* – approval of or looking the other way on co-habitation, artificial contraception, divorce and remarriage, and so-called gay marriage.

Yes, the magisterium, (the official teaching authority of the Church) is still teaching against these things and always will, due to the infallible protection of the Holy Spirit, thank God. But on the pastoral level, "in the trenches," as I say, i.e., in Catholic dioceses, parishes, universities, seminaries, publications, there is increasing pressure to go along with these trends. Those who don't are labeled uncompassionate, judgmental, sticks-in-the-mud at best, bigots at worst.

You expect these errors in the world, in society at large. After all, I think that we are back to the Roman Empire, with much corruption surrounding us like in those early centuries. The Church is to be a haven from that.

Most of the Church's teaching in these areas is based on the words of Jesus Christ Himself in the Bible and cannot be reversed, not even by the pope himself, who is delegated only to transmit the truth, nothing more. He cannot change the truth.

For instance, against divorce and remarriage Christ said "From the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. For this cause a man shall leave his father and mother and cleave to his wife and the two shall be one flesh, so they are no longer two but one flesh. *What therefore God has joined together let no man put asunder.*" (Mark 10: 7-9, emphasis mine)

The passage says that back in the house, his disciples were shocked at this, because divorce was allowed at that time, even by the Jews. Did our Lord back off for reasons of pastoral sensitivity? He answered "Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another commits adultery against her. And if a woman shall put away her husband, and be married to another, she commits adultery." (Mark 10:11-12)

Whew. Pretty strong. But He said it, labeling

PASTORS COLUMN:

THE NEW ARIANISM

First, what was the *old* Arianism? It was a major 4th-5th century heresy (false teaching), basically saying that Christ, the Son, was only semi-divine; a notch below God the Father, who created the Son, at some point before the creation of the physical universe. The Son here is a sort of super-angel, the supreme creature.

The heresy was named after Arius, a popular priest and dynamic preacher, who promoted this seemingly reasonable teaching. After all, didn't Jesus say "The Father is greater than I?" (John 14:28)

Although Arianism was heresy, it gained great popularity among clergy and people, to the extent that St. Jerome, the great Bible scholar of the day, said "the world woke up and groaned to find that it was Arian." Those who held to Christ's full uncreated divinity were called "the orthodox" (a word meaning "correct belief").

The argument about all this among church leaders and theologians was so strong that the Roman

second marriages as adultery. And since adultery is serious sin and since you can't receive communion in the state of serious sin, (See 1 Cor. 11:27-29) then divorced and remarried Catholics cannot be given communion (unless they had their first marriage annulled). In future columns we will see how all this is for our own good, given out of love. **Fr. Bill**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June

Sunday: 06/05/16:

Mass/7:30 & 11am/Church
Pilgrimage to Cathedral/12:30pm/Church

Sunday Evenings with Fr. Tukura/6pm/St. Jude

Monday: 06/06/16:

Mass/7am/Church

Tuesday: 06/07/16:

Mass/7am/Church

Wednesday: 06/08/16:

Confessions/6:30pm/Church

Mass/7pm/Church

Thursday: 06/09/16:

Mass/9am/Church

Friday: 06/10/16:

Mass/7am/Church

Saturday: 06/11/16:

Confessions/3:30pm/Church

Mass/4pm/Church

Sunday: 06/12/16:

Mass/7:30 & 11am/Church

Sunday Evenings with Fr. Tukura/6pm/St. Jude

Monday: 06/13/16:

Mass/9am/Church

Tuesday: 06/14/16:

Mass/7am/Church

Wednesday: 06/15/16:

Confession/6:30 pm/Church

Mass/7pm/Church

Thursday: 06/16/16:

Mass/9am/Church

Friday: 06/17/16:

Mass/7am/Church

Saturday: 06/18/16:

Confessions/3:30pm/Church

Mass/4pm/Church

Sunday: 06/19/16:

Mass/7:30 & 11am/Church

LITURGICAL NOTES:

Mass Intentions for the Week

And Weekly Readings



Sunday, June 05

1 Kings 17:17-24; Psalm 30:2,4,5-6,11, 12,13; Galatians 1:11-19; Luke 7:11-17

7:30 AM Special Intentions for Ann Stoicheff

11:00 AM David Stundon

Monday, June 06

1Kings 17:1-6; Psalm 121:1-8; Matthew 5:1-12

7:00 AM Tom & Marge Connare

Tuesday, June 07

1Kings 17:7-16; Psalm 4:2-8; Matthew 5:13-16

7:00 AM George Vasiloff

Wednesday, June 08

1Kings 18:20-39; Psalm 16:1-2,4,5,8,11; Matthew 5:17-19

7:00 PM Raymond Showers

Thursday, June 09

1Kings 18:41-46; Psalm 65:10,11,12-13; Matthew 5:20-26

9:00 AM Donna Boova

Friday, June 10

1Kings 19:9,11-16; Psalm 27:7-9,13-14; Matthew 5:27-32

7:00 AM Bob Blakey

Saturday, June 11 St. Barnabas, Apostle

Acts of the Apostles 11:21-26;13:1-3; Psalm 98:1,2-6;

Matthew 5:33-37

4:00 PM Dorothy F. O'Donnell

Sunday, June 12

2Samuel 12:7-10,13; Psalm 32:1-2,5,7,11; Galatians

2:16,19-21; Luke 7:36-8:3

7:30 AM People of the Parish

11:00 AM Carol O'Brien

Van Transportation to Mass: The following is the **Van schedule:**

June 12 - Russell Krug

June 19 - Dave Kaniecki

June 26 - Mel Reed

Memorialize Sanctuary Candles: The following dates are **available:** Cost is \$20. Call the office to make arrangements.

Dates Available: June 12, 26

Sanctuary Lamp for June 5th – June 11th

For the Special Intentions of

Ann Stoicheff

From Robert & Joyce Sanders

Memorialize Flowers: If you would like to memorialize flowers at the altar or ambo (pulpit) please call the parish office to schedule. **The following dates are available: June 12, 19, 26**

Altar Flowers for the week of
June 5th – June 11th

Are in Honor and Memorial of
the People of the Parish

During the Month of May

Thank you

*To the Following Parishioners
Who Donated flowers
For the Blessed Virgin Mary*

*Joann Lohr
Helen Salvatore
Helen Lodanosky
Ann Stoicheff
Theresa Dybach*

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHOIR DIRECTOR

Sacred Heart of Jesus Music Ministry is looking for a choir director for our adult choir. The choir consists of an average of twenty members from high school age up. Responsibilities include leading three or four rehearsals a month, directing at Masses and special services at which the choir sings, and working with the parish music director in planning events and selecting music. The choir's season runs from mid-September through early May. Qualifications include the ability to instruct and direct choral music (part singing) and leadership skills. Education in a music field strongly recommended. Ability to provide accompaniment (piano and/or organ) is desired, but not required. Salary is commensurate with experience and abilities. **Please send letters of interest and resume to: Rev. William Weary, Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, 9 N Brown St, Lewistown PA 17044 or email to frweary@sacredheartlewisstown.com.** Any questions related to the position please contact Tony Hallinan, Music Director at (717)248-9437 or aqhdmh@gmail.com



Going on vacation? Please use Online Giving to catch-up on offertory. Go to

www.sacredheartlewisstown.com and click on the Online Giving link, it's quick and easy. Your support during summer months helps sustain our parish.

“A PLEA FOR HELP”



Something that everyone takes for granted is our cemetery located to the right of our school. For “YEARS”

the same men have been taking care of it. These men have donated their time and energy, all those years, without complaint and enjoying every minute of it. They truly have done a great job.

Well, these dedicated men have reached their “Golden Years.” They know they can't do it much longer. They need your help. They are asking for men as well as women to step forward and offer their time and energy to help keep our cemetery looking neat and well groomed. It is only once a week for a couple of hours. Remember—“Many hands make light work.” **Contact: Charlie Vogt @ 717-364-5062.** Thank you very much. *From Someone Who Cares.*

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN ENVELOPES

Thank you so much to the many parishioners who have already made a gift toward our Capital Campaign goal of \$30,000 for replacement of the church steps and two school windows! **We have reached \$12,190 so far!** A few questions concerning the envelopes have surfaced, so hopefully this will clear up any confusion: Parishioners will receive one Capital Campaign envelope EACH MONTH for your convenience. You may donate once, once monthly, or as many times as you feel called to do. If you would like to make a weekly or bi-weekly gift, you can do so by placing your donation in a separate envelope marked “Capital Campaign” and placing it in the basket along with your regular envelope. There will also be a giving option for you on our Online Giving page. We will continue to include an envelope each month through August. If we have not yet met our goal by then, the envelopes will be extended as needed. Thank you for your generosity!



Attention all Kids Grades K - 5; June 26-30 the Community Vacation Bible School will be taking place at the Lewistown Presbyterian Church from 6pm to 8pm. Something new this year: Hot dogs & Chips will be served every night at 5:30 pm and, parents, while the kids are learning about Our Lord... you can too! They will be holding an Adult Bible Study at the same time. **To sign up, contact the Lewistown Presbyterian Church at (717)248-4561**





Save the Date: July 24th – 28th for Sacred Heart's Vacation Bible Camp...

contact the parish office to sign up kids grades K-5th: Attention adults: we **need volunteers** to make this camp happen! Please sign up to help.

Attention: all New Brides... Have you found a wedding gown yet? If not the Thrift Shop has a **BEAUTIFUL** one... size 12 for \$250.00, you can't beat this deal. If you would like to get a closer look, you will have to stop by the thrift shop on Dorcas St. Below are pictures of the front and back.



Also, they have a beautiful Prom/Ball Gown for \$50.00, again you will have to stop by the thrift shop to get a closer look! Below is a picture



A letter from Sister Virginia:



Greetings! from Sister Virginia; during this beautiful month of May, Blessed Mother's special month of May. I want you to know that I have taken my ministry of spiritual intercessor more seriously during this rosary month. Each day you are remembered in my three Rosaries that I offer for all of you; Sacred Heart Parish, St. Jude Parish and your pastor Father Bill, priests, office staff and school. I do hope you are also praying your daily rosary this month. Let us join together in this beautiful prayer to many. I miss you all dearly and hold you in my heart and prayers. My vision leaves me in the fog every day and so I am learning to see more clearly with my heart. Thank you, you are a beautiful people. *Sister Virginia*



Last week Sacred Heart students completed another wonderful and productive year. The 5th graders had their graduation and received many deserved awards and accolades. Our graduates are a wonderful group which we will all miss as they go on to be good role models for their communities. They have been a good hard working group with great Christian values. We thank the many donors who have helped our students receive an outstanding education at Sacred Heart. We also thank Mrs. Souders for treating the graduates with breakfast and limousine ride to their graduation ceremony. We wish our graduates the best of luck in their future endeavors!

Summer school office hours are 9:00 am. to 2:00 pm. on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, with ample appt. time available throughout the week. All calls to the school at 248-5351 outside office hours will be returned as soon as possible. Custodians and summer help will be working weekdays throughout the summer from 7:00 am. until 2:00 pm.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Sacred Heart School is currently enrolling for K-5th grades for the 2016-2017 school year. If you are interested in sending your child to SHS in the fall, please call the office at 242-5351 and schedule your visit today! We will hold Kindergarten Assessments this week. The Financial Aid process has also begun. **You can find more information by visiting our website at www.sacredheartschool.com!**

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Faith Festival,

June 18th

10 am – 2pm at the Mifflin County Library Parking Lot

Join us for

food, games, and live music!

